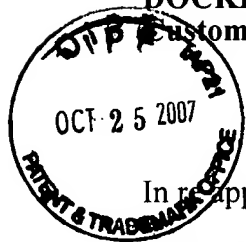


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Charles R. Spinner, III, et al.
Serial No. : 09/871,463
Filed : May 31, 2001
For : BARRIER FILM DEPOSITION OVER METAL FOR
REDUCTION IN METAL DISHING AFTER CMP
Group No. : 2815
Examiner : Matthew E. Warren

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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed April 20, 2007 (and late issuance of the Advisory Action mailed October 10, 2007) in connection with the above-identified application.

Due to the late issuance of the Advisory Action, Applicant believes that only a one-month extension of time is believed to be necessary. An appropriate petition and fee are enclosed.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: